

House Resolution 1901

By: Representatives Porter of the 143rd, Smyre of the 132nd, Hugley of the 133rd, Jamieson of the 28th, Williams of the 89th, and others

A RESOLUTION

1 Recognizing and honoring Dr. James William "Jim" Mullins for over 50 years of service and
2 proclaiming Monday, March 31, 2008, as "Jim Mullins Day" in the State of Georgia; and for
3 other purposes.

4 WHEREAS, Dr. James "Jim" William Mullins was born on September 17, 1935; and

5 WHEREAS, he has diligently and conscientiously devoted innumerable hours of his time,
6 talents, and energy toward the betterment of his state as evidenced dramatically by his over
7 50 years of exemplary service to public education, serving as a teacher, a coach, a principal,
8 a superintendent, and an advisor to the Georgia General Assembly, where his outstanding
9 contributions, tireless efforts, and noteworthy commitment paved the way for Georgia's
10 students to become the best and the brightest; and

11 WHEREAS, Dr. Mullins led the Office of House Research, formerly the Legislative
12 Educational Research Council, for almost two decades, and in this capacity, he was
13 instrumental in drafting the Quality Basic Education Act of 1985, which has provided the
14 foundation for public education in the State of Georgia for more than 20 years; and

15 WHEREAS, Dr. Mullins has devoted the last 14 years as Director of Governmental Relations
16 with the DeKalb County School System, where he has performed his duties with steadfast
17 dedication, unparalleled professionalism, and with the highest degree of proficiency, ability,
18 and integrity; and

19 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, his remarkable patience
20 and diplomacy, his keen sense of vision, and his sensitivity to the needs of students, staff, and
21 parents have earned him the respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

1 WHEREAS, after more than a half-century of service to the students and citizens of the State
2 of Georgia, Dr. Mullins retires on March 31, 2008, to become a full-time fan and supporter
3 of his beloved University of Georgia Bulldogs; and

4 WHEREAS, his pursuit of the public good, steady demeanor, fair treatment of his fellow
5 man, and judicious decision making have made him truly worthy of this state's appreciation
6 and gratitude.

7 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
8 the members of this body celebrate the lifelong commitment of Dr. James William "Jim"
9 Mullins to public education and the citizens of this state by proclaiming Monday, March 31,
10 2008, as "Jim Mullins Day" in the State of Georgia.

11 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
12 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to Dr. James "Jim" William
13 Mullins on the occasion of his retirement.